GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR
LOK SABHA

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COCONUT DEVELOPMENT BOARD
P.C. THOMAS

Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR be pleased to state:

(a) the details of industries suggested by Coconut Development Board for using coconut and parts of coconut trees;

(b) whether the Union Government propose to provide financial and technical aid to entrepreneurs in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the number of units which are functioning at present as per the above schemes?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGF RURAL INDUSTRIES (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a):Coconut based industries identified by the Board are as under:-
i) Kernel based industries;
ii) Coconut Water based industries;
iii) Coconut shell based industries;
iv) Husk based industries;

(b): Yes, Sir.

(c) & (d): The schemes being implemented by the Board for assisting the entrepreneures are:

I. Financial assistance to coconut based industries @ 25% of the cost of building/plant/machinery or Rs. 2.5 lakhs whichever is less.

II. Financial assistance for introduction of agmark/ISO Standards in coconut processing units @ 25% of the cost of laboratary equipments or Rs. 1 lakh which ever is less.

The Board has a consultancy service cell in its Headquarter at Kochi, which provides assistance to entrepreneurs/industries in identification of suitable projects, preparation of project feasibility reports and providing technical consultancy in setting up coconut based projects.

17 units have been set up in different parts of the country with the technical aid of the Board.